responsibility provisions of section 404 of the Act, which among other things require a fiduciary to discharge his duties respecting the plan solely in the interest of the participants and beneficiaries of the plan and in a prudent fashion in accordance with section 404(a)(1)(B) of the Act; nor does it affect the requirement of section 401(a) of the Code that the plan must operate for the exclusive benefit of the employees of the employer maintaining the plan and their beneficiaries;

(2) These exemptions are supplemental to and not in derogation of, any other provisions of the Act and/or the Code, including statutory or administrative exemptions and transactional rules. Furthermore, the fact that a transaction is subject to an administrative or statutory exemption is not dispositive of whether the transaction is in fact a prohibited transaction; and

(3) The availability of these exemptions is subject to the express condition that the material facts and representations contained in each application are true and complete and accurately describe all material terms of the transaction which is the subject of the exemption. In the case of continuing exemption transactions, if any of the material facts or representations described in the application change after the exemption is granted, the exemption will cease to apply as of the date of such change. In the event of any such change, application for a new exemption may be made to the Department.

Signed at Washington, D.C., this 4th day of November, 1999.

Ivan Strasfeld,

Director of Exemption Determinations, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING MEETING: National Science Foundation, National Science Board.

DATE AND TIMES:

November 18, 1999: 11:30 a.m.—Closed Session

November 18, 1999: 1 p.m.—Closed Session

November 18, 1999: 2 p.m.—Open Session

PLACE: The National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Room 1235, Arlington, VA 22230.

STATUS:

Part of this meeting will be closed to the public

Part of this meeting will be open to the public

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Closed Session (11:30 a.m.-12 Noon)

Closed Session Minutes NSB Member Proposal Personnel

Closed Session (1 p.m.-2 p.m.)

Awards and Agreements FY 2001 Budget

Open Session (2 p.m.-6 p.m.)

Minutes, July 1999
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Chair's Report
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NSB/EHR Workplan
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International Task Force Status Report
Science & Engineering Indicators
Committee on Communication & Outreach
Status Report

NSB February 2000 Policy Meeting & Retreat NSB 2000 Calendar

Presentation: Nanoscience & Engineering

Marta Cehelsky,

Executive Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC).

ACTION: Notice of pending NRC action to submit an information collection request to OMB and solicitation of public comment.

SUMMARY: The NRC is preparing a submittal to OMB for review of continued approval of information collections under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

- 1. The title of the information collection: 10 CFR part 55, "Operators' Licenses."
- 2. Current OMB approval number: 3150–0018.
- 3. How often the collection is required: As necessary for NRC to meet its responsibilities to determine the eligibility of applicants for operators' licenses, prepare or review initial operator licensing and requalification examinations, and perform a review of

applications and reports for simulation facilities submitted to the NRC.

- 4. Who is required or asked to report: Holders of and applicants for facility (i.e., nuclear power, research, and test reactor) operating licenses and individual operators' licenses.
- 5. The number of annual of respondents: 231.
- 6. The number of hours needed annually to complete the requirement or request: 25,937 (approximately 19,840 hours of reporting burden and approximately 6,097 hours of record-keeping burden).
- 7. Abstract: 10 CFR part 55, "Operators' Licenses," of the NRC's regulations, specifies information and data to be provided by applicants and facility licensees so that the NRC may make determinations concerning the licensing and requalification of operators for nuclear reactors, as necessary to promote public health and safety. The reporting and record-keeping requirements contained in 10 CFR part 55 are mandatory for the licensees and applicants affected.

Submit, by January 10, 2000, comments that address the following questions:

- 1. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the NRC to properly perform its functions? Does the information have practical utility?
 - 2. Is the burden estimate accurate?
- 3. Is there a way to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?
- 4. How can the burden of the information collection be minimized, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology?

A copy of the submittal may be viewed free of charge at the NRC Public Document Room, 2120 L Street, NW (lower level), Washington, DC. OMB clearance requests are available at the NRC worldwide web site (http://www.nrc.gov/NRC/PUBLIC/OMB/index.html). The document will be available on the NRC home page site for 60 days after the signature date of this notice.

Comments and questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the NRC Clearance Officer, Brenda Jo. Shelton, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, T–6 E6, Washington, DC 20555–0001, by telephone at 301–415–7233, or by Internet electronic mail at bjs1@nrc.gov.

Dated at Rockville, MD, this 3rd day of November, 1999.